

ABSTRACT

A multimedia preview system in a client/server-based network environment for browsing content of requested multimedia data to be previewed includes a processor. The content is displayed on a client terminal for accessing a multimedia server that holds the requested multimedia data. The processor adapts a detail level of a presentation of at least one of text and an image associated with the requested multimedia data, depending on markup tags associated with the multimedia data and a frequency of commands indicating a speed at which the multimedia preview system is to browse through the at least one of the text and the image, such that the detail level of the presentation of the at least one of the text and the image is higher when the speed is lower and vice versa, and changes a layout of the at least one of the text and the image depending on the speed.